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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.**

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John DAPRON, et al.

Serial No.: 09/854,638

Filed: May 14, 2001

For: **HIGH CAPACITY ASSAY  
PLATFORMS**

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) Examiner: Unassigned  
) Art Unit: 1645  
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New York, New York  
September 12, 2001

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date

Granted May 14, 2001 ("Notice") in the above-identified application, Applicants submit  
herewith the following:

- (1) Declaration signed by all inventors in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63;
- (2) Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application-Part 2;
- (3) A check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the fee.

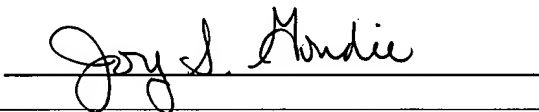
A response to the Notice was due September 11, 2001. The Office of Personnel  
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under 35 U.S.C. § 21(b). Any action or fee due on September 11, 2001, will be considered as timely for the purposes of, e.g., 35 U.S.C §§ 119, 120, 133 and 151, if the action is taken, or the fee paid, on the next succeeding business day on which the Patent and Trademark Office is open. 37 C.F.R. § 1.6(a)(2) provides that correspondence deposited as Express Mail in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 will be considered filed on the date of its deposit. Therefore, this response to the Notice is timely filed on September 12, 2001.

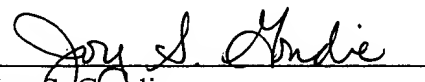
If our check is missing or otherwise insufficient, or if any additional fees are required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge (or credit any overpayment) to Deposit Account No. 02-4467.

If the Examiner wishes to discuss any part of this submission, please contact the undersigned at the number indicated.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Box Missing Parts, Washington, D.C. 20231, on September 12, 2001.



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